

F-2-14  
Saint Mary's Church Rectory  
Petersville  
Private

Circa 1900

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## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC St. Mary's Rectory

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

East Side Catholic Church Road

CITY, TOWN

Petersville

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Frederick

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

## CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

## OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

## PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

## STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

## ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☒ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

## PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☒ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER:**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME St. Mary's Catholic Church

Telephone #:

STREET &amp; NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Brunswick

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21716

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Frederick County Courthouse

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET &amp; NUMBER

North Court St.

CITY, TOWN

Frederick

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

St. Mary's Rectory is a small ell shaped two and one-half story cross gable roofed frame building which faces southeast from the east side of Catholic Church Road in Petersville.

The principal facade of the building is two bays wide with a three story turret dominating the building in the southeast corner. The main entrance is located in the second bay and is surrounded by six inch wide wood boards with multiple rows of fine beading and a small plain cornice over the narrow single light transom. The main entrance door is a replaced half horizontal paneled half multiple lighted door.

Located in the first bay is an original double hung 1/1 window surrounded by six inch wide boards with multiple rows of fine beading and plain cornice. This type of window and surrounding decoration repeats itself throughout the house.

The main entrance is covered by an original flat tin roofed porch with boxed cornice which extends two bays wide across the front of the building. The porch roof is supported by three modern iron posts with railing which replaced three turned wood columns. Half of an original column stands to the rear of the porch on the south side. Although the columns were replaced the frieze is supported by decorative scrolls in each corner with dropped pendants and triangular shapes traveling the length of the frieze. The porch is a tongue and groove frame floor with brick piers and wood stairs decorated on either side by clapboarding. A modern cellar entrance has been inset into the front of the porch.

Double hung 1/1 windows with the beaded board and cornice decoration occupy both bays on the second level. A small gable covered by beaded wainscoting surrounded by round shoe molding with stick style decoration at the top of the gable and small four pane window surrounded by the beaded board and cornice decoration extends forward of the roof.

The turret is five sided and covered by fishscale wood shingling up to the top of the second level. Double hung 1/1 windows with the beaded board and cornice decoration occupy three sides of the turret on the first and second level with slightly smaller but identical windows on the third level. The third story of the turret is covered by beaded wainscoting with corner board columns with arched friezes which connect each side of the turret. The turret is covered by the original patterned slate pyramidal roof with boxed cornice and paired scrolled brackets.

The north side of the building originally had only three windows, one small four pane window in the gable and one double hung 1/1 with beaded board and cornice decoration located on each level in the northwest corner. A new horizontal window was added next to the original window on the first level.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Saint Mary's Rectory is significant to the Petersville area for its association with Saint Mary's Catholic Church as the rectory and for its fine architectural detailing.

Because no clear deed references have been found recorded in the Frederick County Courthouse for either the church or the rectory, it is difficult to date the construction of the rectory.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

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Cherilyn E. Widell, Coordinator

ORGANIZATION

Frederick County Office of Historic Preservation

DATE

7/28/80

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Winchester Hall, 12 E. Church St.

TELEPHONE

694-1063

CITY OR TOWN

Frederick

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

## 7. DESCRIPTION

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St. Marys Church Rectory

The original rear ell extends four bays deep. Double hung 1/1 windows with beaded board and cornice trim are located in each bay in the first level and all three bays on the second level. A small four pane window is located in the gable. No windows are located on the west gable end of the building.

A rear entrance, a four panel door partially boarded up is located on the north wall next to another double hung window.

The house is covered by the original patterned slate roof with boxed cornice, beaded molding, plain frieze and return. An unusual feature is that the frieze is scrolled in each corner. The entire building is covered by narrow clapboarding with six inch wood board with multiple rows of beading as corner boards. Three single brick corbeled chimneys rise from the roof in the center, west and north gable ends. The building is constructed on a high random stone foundation.

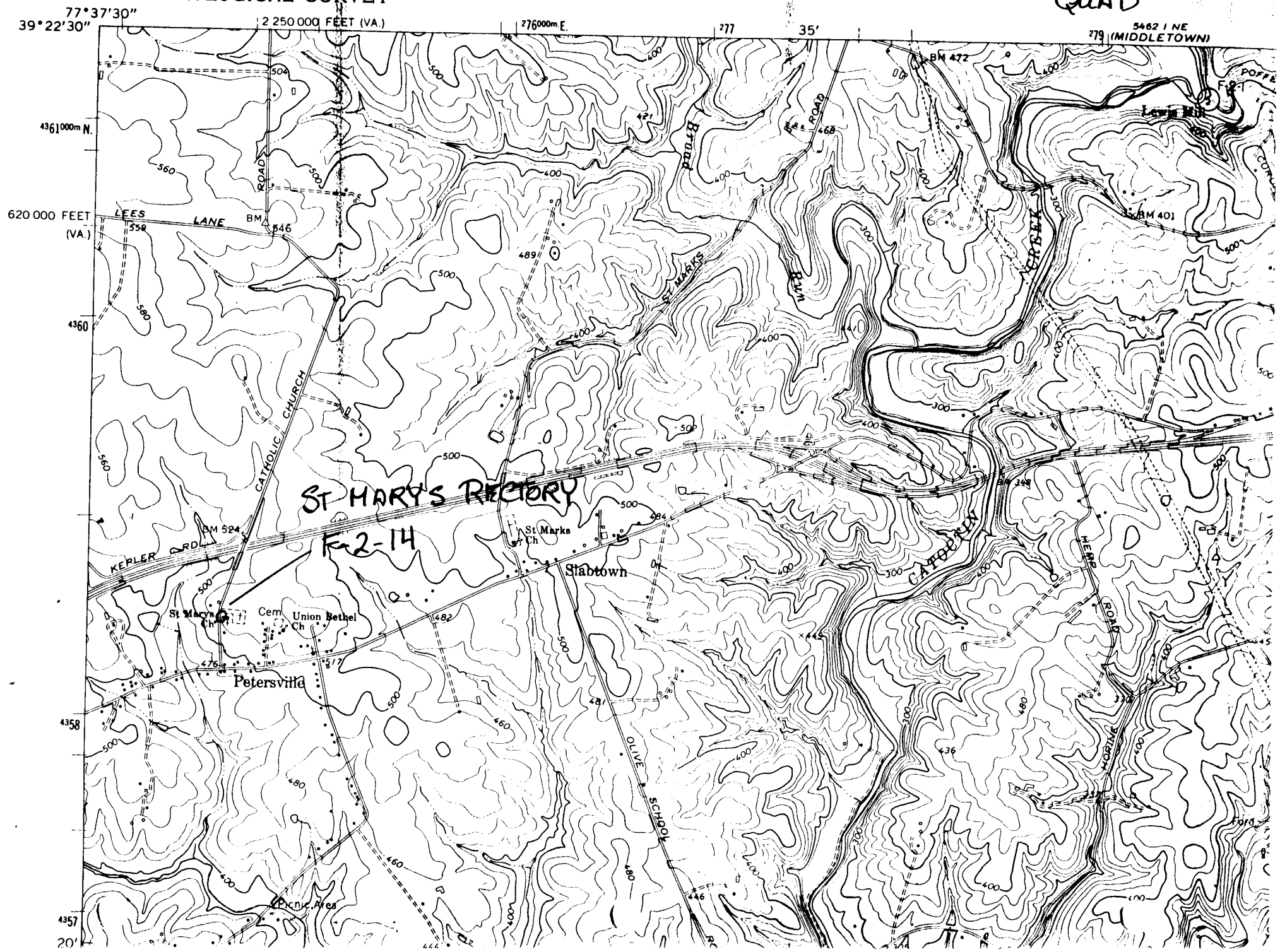
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1/2 IN NW  
- DYSSVILLE

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

POINT OF ROCKS  
QUAD







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ST MARY'S CHURCH RECTORY  
E/S CATHOLIC CHURCH RD  
PETERSVILLE

CRW 6/80

NORTH BLVD



F-2-14

ST MARYS CHURCH  
RECTORY

1/5 CATHOLIC CHURCH RD

PETERSVILLE

OWN 6/89

SOUTH BLEN



F-2-14 ST MARYS CHURCH Rectory  
1615 CATHOLIC CHURCH RD  
PETERSVILLE  
CEN 6/80

WINDOW + DETAILS  
CORNICE